



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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<b>Serial No.</b>	10/827117
<b>Docket:</b>	NEXTIO.0402
<b>For:</b>	SWITCHING APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING SHARED IO WITHIN A LOAD-STORE FABRIC

**DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**

Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention referenced above, the specification of which is attached hereto.


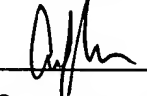
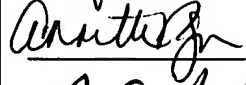
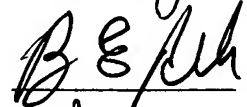
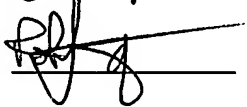
I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to in this declaration.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

As a named inventor, I hereby appoint James W. Huffman, Reg. No. 35,549, Richard K. Huffman, Reg. 41,082, and E. Alan Davis, Reg. No. 39,954 my attorneys with full power of substitution and revocation to prosecute this application and transact all business in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith, and also to file and prosecute any corresponding application in any foreign country; and I hereby request that all correspondence and telephone calls be addressed to:

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